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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Conversation with Admiral Taylor and  
Admiral Ward regarding [redacted]

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1. [redacted] and I arranged a briefing in  
Admiral Taylor's office on 26 October to discuss with Admiral Taylor  
and Vice Admiral Alfred G. Ward, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations  
(Fleet Operations and Readiness), the present state of planning  
for [redacted]. We were also able to show the [redacted] color movie to both of  
them during the discussion.

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2. I reported to the Admirals the substance of my conversation  
of last Wednesday with Secretary Vance with relation to [redacted]  
[redacted] wherein Vance told me to continue planning with the  
Navy for the eventuality that we might be called on to do [redacted]  
carrier project the end of November. There is genuine concern,  
reflected by the Admirals today, that the diversion of the  
U.S.S. Saratoga for this purpose and its subsequent delay on  
arriving on station with the 6th fleet in the Mediterranean would  
work a hardship on Navy with relation to commitments under the  
NATO plan [redacted]. There is also the question of ex-  
tending the on-station time of the U.S.S. Roosevelt to a point  
where promised Christmas leave in the States would not materialize.

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3. Apparently Admiral Taylor intends to bring this up in USIB  
on 28 October with a view to determining the urgency of [redacted]  
coverage requirement which, I believe, originated with Gen. Carroll.  
I thought you would want to know this so that you might advise the  
Director to expect a dialogue on this subject when USIB convenes.

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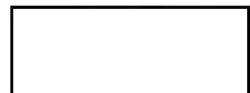


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